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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AR, CU, PFOR

SUBJECT: CUBA AT THE BUENOS AIRES MFM

FOR THE CHARGE

1. WE WOULD FIND IT MOST USEFUL AT THIS POINT TO HAVE BRAZIL'S VIEWS ON THE ARGENTINE PROPOSAL TO INVITE CUBA TO THE BUENOS AIRES MFM. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO SEEK AN EARLY APPOINTMENT WITH FONMIN SILVEIRA TO THAT END.

2. YOU MAY EXPLAIN TO HIM THAT THE SECRETARY HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM VIGNES ASKING FOR HIS OPINION AND HELP IN OBTAINING A CONSENSUS FOR INVITING CUBA TO THE BUENOS AIRES MFM. THE SECRETARY HAS REPLIED BY POINTING OUT THAT THE QUITO MEETING SERVED TO SHOW THAT CUBA HAS STILL NOT GIVEN REAL ASSURANCES ABOUT ITS FUTURE BEHAVIOR. HE ALSO NOTED THAT WHAT IS NEEDED IS A CLEAR PUBLIC COMMITMENT FROM CUBA TO THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION. THIS PLEDGE OF GOOD BEHAVIOR SHOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO THE BA MEETING BUT BE A CONTINUING ONE.

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3. THE SECRETARY WANTS SILVEIRA TO KNOW ABOUT THIS

EXCHANGE AND TO HAVE HIS VIEWS ON THE ISSUE OF CUBA
ATTENDING THE BA MFM.

4. IN ADDITION, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE HIS
THINKING ON WHETHER AND IN WHAT FORM THE CUBA
ISSUE MIGHT ARISE AT BUENOS AIRES -- ASSUMING NO CUBAN
REPRESENTATIVE IN ATTENDANCE. WE ANTICIPATE THAT VENE-
ZUELA, ARGENTINA, PERU AND OTHERS WILL WANT TO RAISE IT
BUT ARE NOT CLEAR ON HOW HARD THEY MIGHT BE PREPARED TO
PUSH IN VIEW OF THE OBVIOUS RISK TO THE UNITY OF THE
LATIN-AMERICAN CAUCUS.

5. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ASSURE SILVEIRA
THAT WE WILL STAY IN CLOSEST TOUCH WITH HIM AS
ARGENTINA'S CONSULTATIONS ON THIS ISSUE EVOLVE . KISSINGER

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